



MAIL STOP
AMENDMENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: H. Lowenheim Attorney Docket No.: SOPH116953
Application No.: 09/622,719 Group Art Unit: 1635
Filed: October 18, 2000 Examiner: K.A. Lacourciere
Title: METHOD FOR THE TREATMENT OF DISEASES
OR DISORDERS OF THE INNER EAR

RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL LETTER/
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Seattle, Washington 98101

December 29, 2004

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. Response Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is a response in the above-identified application.

- X 1. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.
 2. The claim fee has been calculated as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra		Rate		Additional Fee
Total Claims	3	-	34	=	0	x	25	=	0
Independent Claims	2	-	5	=	0	x	100	=	0
TOTAL									\$0

B. Petition for Extension of Time

Applicant respectfully requests that the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office Action dated July 2, 2004, set to expire on October 2, 2004, be extended by 3 months, to expire on January 2, 2005. The enclosed check includes the 3-month extension fee of \$510.00.

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C. Fees Enclosed

Enclosed is our Check No. 160424 in the amount of \$510.00 to cover the extension of time fee.

D. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service in a sealed envelope as first class mail with postage thereon fully prepaid and addressed to Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22316-1450, on the below date.

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